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**UTILIZATION CRITERIA FOR TALENT-COMINT MATERIAL**

1. TALENT-COMINT raw materials are derived from two sources. First, there is the material associated with AQUATONE operations which is gathered in the normal functioning of the COMINT intercept effort; secondly, there is the special material gathered by AQUATONE airborne electronic equipment.

2. a. That portion of the first source material which deals with the technical aspects of COMINT operations can be extracted and disseminated through technical channels without reference to source. Therefore, it is not considered to be a problem. The intelligence content of the material from the first source will be used only in the TALENT system.

b. Materials gathered by AQUATONE airborne electronic equipment will be so unique that the revelation of their existence to non-TALENT cleared personnel will be impossible.

3. Intelligence studies prepared by the Central Intelligence Agency and the military services and area studies usually prepared by the National Security Agency may utilize TALENT material as background when it has the effect of upgrading the validity of other sources data contained in the studies. TALENT material must not appear as unique or identifiable data.

4. Deviations from the principles stated above will be referred to the CIA Utilization Board for special consideration prior to taking action.

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